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In re Application of: Dower et al.

Application No: 10/083,768

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Title: *PEPTIDES AND COMPOUNDS THAT
BIND TO A
THROMBOPOIETIN RECEPTOR*Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231AMENDMENT and
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ELECTION OF SPECIESIn the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Original) A peptide having a molecular weight of less than about 8000 daltons, and comprising a sequence of amino acids (SEQ ID NO:2):

X₁ X₂ X₃ X₄ X₅ X₆ X₇where X₁ is C, L, M, P, Q, V; X₂ is F, K, L, N, Q, R, S, T or V; X₃ is C, F, I, L, M, R, S, V or W; X₄ is any of the 20 genetically coded L-amino acids; X₅ is A, D, E, G, K, M, Q, R, S, T, V or Y; X₆ is C, F, G, L, M, S, V, W or Y; and X₇ is C, G, I, K, L, M, N, R or V;

and having a detectable label covalently attached to said peptide.